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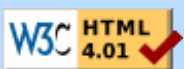
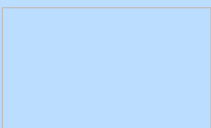
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What is Debian?

[Debian](#) is a [free](#) operating system (OS) for your computer. An operating system is the set of basic programs and utilities that make your computer run. Debian uses the [Linux](#) kernel (the core of an operating system), but most of the basic OS tools come from the [GNU project](#); hence the name GNU/Linux.

Debian GNU/Linux provides more than a pure OS: it comes

with over 25000 [packages](#), precompiled software bundled up in a nice format for easy installation on your machine.

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Getting Started

The [latest stable release of Debian](#) is 5.0. The last update to this release was made on September 4th, 2010. Read more about [available versions of Debian](#).

If you'd like to start using Debian, you can easily [obtain a copy](#), and then follow the [installation instructions](#) to install it.

If you're upgrading to the latest stable release from a previous version, please read [the release notes](#) before proceeding.

To get help in using or setting up Debian, see our [documentation](#) and [support](#) pages.

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